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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of:) Examiner: B. Choobin
Kenneth Kump) Group Art Unit: 2625
Serial No. : 09/344,190)
Filed: 6/24/1999)
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR)
DETERMINING A DYNAMIC RANGE OF)
A DIGITAL MEDICAL IMAGE)
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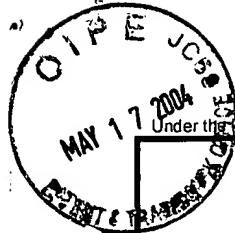
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Dear Examiner Choobin:

The following is in response to the Office Action mailed February 17, 2004. The Amendment and Response is being timely submitted within the three-month date of May 17, 2004. The Applicant respectfully requests that the following Amendments and Remarks be entered and considered.

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Application Number	09/344,190
Filing Date	June 24, 1999
First Named Inventor	Kenneth Kump
Group Art Unit	2625
Examiner Name	B. Choobin
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